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1. WE CAN ONLY SUGGEST ITINERARY FOR LARG OFFICIALS AND MAKE APPROPRIATE CONTACTS BUT UNABLE TO PROVIDE FUNDS OR ESCORT OFFICER DURING VISIT.
2. QUESTION OF FUNDS AVAILABLE FROM OTHER U.S. FIRMS SUCH AS SUPERIOR AND LOCKWOOD TO DEFRAY MINISTER'S TRAVEL EXPENSES IS COMPLICATED BY FACT THAT EXTENSIVE AREAS OF INTEREST OUTLINED PARA. 3 REFTEL 364 COVERS AS MANY AS 50 TRADE ASSOCIATIONS AND 4-5 THOUSAND U.S. FIRMS. ALL GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY CONTACTS AGREE THAT SUCH WIDE ASSORTMENT OF INTERESTS IS MOST AMBITIOUS UNDERTAKING EXCEPT FOR CURSORY EXPOSURE FOR 10 WORKING DAY VISIT. ALSO, KEY ASSOCIATION OF AGRI-CONSULTANTS (ASAC) NOW SOMEWHAT COOL ON ASSISTING ITINERARY SINCE IT APPEARS TWO FIRMS ALREADY HAVE UPPER-HAND FOR ANY BUSINESS TO BE GENERATED IN U.S. NEITHER ARE MEMBERS OF ASAC.

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3. IN LIGHT OF REFTEL 364 COMMERCE ASSUMES VISIT BY U.S.

CONSULTANT TEAM NO LONGER DESIRED BY LARG. DR. FLY NOW STATES HE IS COMMITTED TO IMPORTANT BUSINESS CONFERENCE APRIL 5 (UNDERSTANDABLE IN VIEW OF DELAYS) AND UNABLE TO DEPART U.S. BEFORE APRIL 8 OR 9, AND THUS TOO LATE FOR PRELIMINARY STUDY PRIOR TO MINISTER'S DEPARTURE FOR U.S. RE REFTEL 356, FYI, FLY INDICATED TEAM REPORT WOULD BE INCLUDED IN DOLS 300 PER DAY FEE PLUS EXPENSES FOR EACH CONSULTANT BUT THIS CONSIDERED NORMAL PAYMENT FOR THIS TYPE CONSULTATION IN U.S. AND UNWILLING TO TAKE LESS. FLY ALSO STATES SATISFACTORY DOCUMENTATION OF PAYMENT (LETTER OF CREDIT, ESCROW DEPOSIT IN U.S. BANK) AND EXEMPTION OF LIBYAN TAX LIABILITY WOULD BE REQUIRED. END FYI.

4. FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY ROUGH PROGRAM COULD PROBABLY BE WORKED OUT; BEGINNING APRIL 15, TWO FULL DAYS WASHINGTON, D.C. WHERE GREATEST CONCENTRATION OF EXPERTISE AVAILABLE (TRADE ASSOCIATIONS AND GOVERNMENT) FOR NUMEROUS ITEMS OF INTEREST. THIS PERIOD COULD INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH COMMERCE, USDA AND INTERIOR EXPERTS IN FIELDS OF DESALINATION, AGRIMACHINERY, FERTILIZER, SEEDS, ETC., AND VISIT TO BELTSVILLE, MD., USDA AGRI-RESEARCH CENTER POSSIBLY LARGEST OF KIND IN U.S. SINCE VISIT PURELY BUSINESS ORIENTED POST REQUESTED TO ADVISE BY RETURN CABLE WHETHER MINISTER WILL EXPECT OR DESIRE ANY PROTOCOL OR COURTESY MEETINGS AT SENIOR LEVEL VARIOUS U.S. DEPARTMENTS.

REMAINDER VISIT CAN INCLUDE TWO DAYS EACH WITH LOCKWOOD CORP., GERING, NEBRASKA, (FRED W. SCHNEIDER, PRES., TEL., 308/436-5051) AT SPECIFIC REQUEST OF FIRM; SUPERIOR FARMING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA (SCHRAMM STILL ABROAD AND PLANS UNKNOWN); AND TOUR OF SAN JOAQUIN, CALIFORNIA VALLEY CONDUCTED BY SARKIS V. SARABIAN, PRES., ASAC, WHO ALSO HAS OWN CONSULTANT FIRM AND AGRI-PROJECTS IN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY, LOCATED 2266 S. DEWOLF AVENUE, SANGER, CALIFORNIA 93659. (TEL. 209/268-2830). SAN JOAQUIN REPORTEDLY MOST PRODUCTIVE AGRICULTURE AREA U.S. WITH CLIMATE AND SOIL CLOSELY APPROXIMATING LIBYA AND CLOSE TO SUPERIOR AT BAKERSFIELD. THIS ROUGH ITINERARY COVERS EIGHT OF 10 WORK DAYS BUT REMAINING TWO LEFT OPEN TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR OTHER APPOINTMENTS AND NECESSARY TRAVEL.

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5. ADVISE URGENT BASIS IF WE SHOULD CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT ABOVE ITINERARY AND WHETHER COURTESY CALLS BY MINISTER WITH SENIOR LEVEL U.S. OFFICIALS DESIRED. RUSH

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